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Part four

SPECIAL SESSION

Held at United Nations Headquarters on 16 December 1993

Chapter I

ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

Meetings

1. In accordance with paragraph 12 of its decision 93/42 of 18 June 1993, the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme reconvened for a special session on 16 December 1993 to make any appropriate recommendations on the modalities detailed in the proposed programme budget for 1994-1995 and commented upon by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and on the information provided by the Secretary-General on staffing arrangements, prior to consideration of the issue by the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session (1993). The provisional agenda and list of documents are contained in document DP/1993/L.12. An account of the discussion is contained in the relevant summary record (DP/1993/SR.30).

Attendance

2. The session was attended by members of the Governing Council, States represented by observers, United Nations Secretariat units, United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other organizations.

Chapter II

OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES

3. For its consideration of this item, the Governing Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on institutional and administrative arrangements governing the integration of UNDP/OPS in the Department for Development Support and Management Services (A/48/502), including organizational and budgetary arrangements for United Nations/OPS (A/48/502/Add.1) and financial regulations and rules to govern United Nations/OPS activities and operations (A/48/502/Add.2);

(b) Second report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on institutional and administrative arrangements governing the integration of UNDP/OPS in the Department for Development Support and Management Services (A/48/7/Add.1).

4. At its 30th meeting, the Governing Council, after considering the draft decision contained in document DP/1993/L.13, adopted decision 93/46 (see annex).

Annex

DECISION ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING COUNCIL AT ITS SPECIAL SESSION HELD AT UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS ON 16 DECEMBER 1993

93/46. Office for Project Services

The Governing Council,

Reaffirming its decision 93/42 of 18 June 1993,

Underlining the importance it attaches to ensuring that the capabilities of the Office for Project Services are not affected adversely by any change in its status, and that its efficiency, flexibility and cost-effectiveness are enhanced further,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General (A/48/502 and Add.1 and 2);

2. Further takes note of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/48/7/Add.1);

3. Recommends that the Office for Project Services should remain within the United Nations Development Programme until 1 January 1995 and decides to review the modalities for its transfer to the Department for Development Support and Management Services;

4. Requests the Management Board of the Office for Project Services to clarify further the arrangements for the transfer of the Office for Project Services;

5. Requests the President of the Governing Council to inform, as appropriate, the President of the General Assembly of the content of this decision as soon as possible;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Governing Council as soon as possible on the steps taken to clarify the modalities for the transfer, as requested in paragraph 5 of its decision 93/42 and by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

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